



# St Matthew In Action

## FEBRUARY 2022

ACTIVE  
CHRISTIANS  
TOGETHER  
IN  
OUTREACH  
&  
NURTURE

*Create in  
me a Clean  
Heart, O God*

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From the desk of Rev. Christopher LaBoube.

# The Promise Keeper

2 Chronicles 7:14



## GOD'S WORD

*If My people, who are called by My name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)*

## FOR SHARING

1. Historians say that the majority of major civilizations have lasted approximately 200 years.

From bondage to spiritual faith.

From spiritual faith to great courage.

From great courage to freedom.

From freedom to abundance.

From abundance to selfishness.

From selfishness to complacency.

From complacency to apathy.

From apathy to dependence.

And from dependence back again to bondage.

In other words, most major civilizations were not destroyed by enemies from the outside, but by the deterioration from within.

2. What evidence is there that such deterioration is taking place within our country? within our own community? within the church?

3. There's a wonderful promise attached to the warning in the passage. Repeat the promise to the person sitting next to you.

4. The Old Testament Promisekeeper is the Promisekeeper of the New Testament. What promise did He make to us? He arranged to keep the promise through the sacrificial death of His Son Jesus Christ. Now this promise is ours: "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Turn to the person next to you and repeat this promise to one another.

## PRAYER

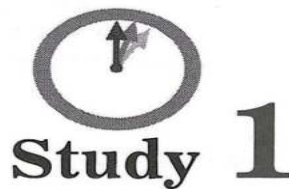
Heavenly Father, Promise Maker and Keeper, give us:

Clear sight to see our sins;

Humility to confess them;

Resolution to turn away from them.

Through Jesus Christ. Amen.



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DATE	FESTIVAL	FIRST READING	PSALM	EPISTLE	GOSPEL
Feb. 6	Fifth S. a. the Epiphany	Is. 6:1-8 (9-13)	Psalms 138	1 Cor. 14:12b-20	Luke 5:1-11
Feb. 13	Sixth S. a. the Epiphany	Jer. 17:5-8	Psalms 1	1 Cor. 15:(1-11) 12-20	Luke 6:17-26
Feb. 20	Seventh S. a. the Epiphany	Gen. 45:3-15	Psalms 103:1-13	1 Cor. 15:21-26, 30-42	Luke 6:27-38
Feb. 27	The Transfiguration of Our Lord	Deut. 34:1-12	Psalms 99	Heb. 3:1-6	Luke 9:28-36

**Green**, comes next in the acronym and is by far the most common color seen during the year.

*Lutheran Service Book* calls for its use during the seasons of Epiphany and Pentecost. The first Sunday following the first full moon after the vernal equinox (March 21), also known as Easter Sunday, determines the length of these two seasons.

The days of Epiphany may entail a total of, but not more than, eight Sundays. The season of Pentecost, on the other hand, can last from 22 to 28 Sundays. Green is the appointed color for all but a few of the Sundays during these seasons. Consequently, green may be used an average of six to eight months of any given liturgical year!

Epiphany's message of Christ's revelation to the Gentiles along with the season's traditional emphasis on extending Christ's kingdom through missions, calls for the use of green-the color symbolic of growth.

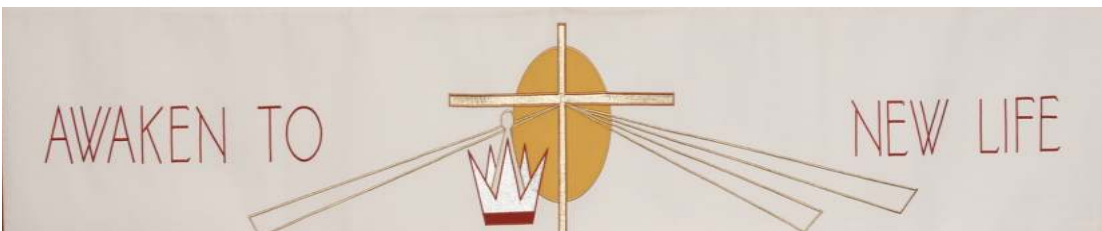
The Sundays following Pentecost, observed as "the time of the church," share a somewhat similar theme as that of Epiphany. Affectionately called the season of the "green meadow," no doubt due to the fact of green being the established color, these Sundays also emphasize the subject of growth.

Green is a neutral color, but there is nothing colorless about our need to grow and mature as disciples of Jesus Christ. That's why the "green meadow" time of the church year is so lengthy. Time must be given to encourage all worshipers to maintain their faith through the constant use of God's means of grace.

A helpful suggestion for congregations observing summer and fall months with one neutral color, would be to invest time and effort in obtaining several sets of green paraments. Variety and change in shades of this color would go a long way in keeping the season fresh and "green." Changing the paraments every six weeks would complement the Sundays following Pentecost and their emphasis on personal faith that is living and growing.

**White** is the color of purity and completeness. The theme for the "great fifty days" of Easter is supported by the use of white. This color, used primarily during these Sundays, assists in bearing the message that "though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow." Christ's triumph from the grave on Resurrection day is the cause for our rejoicing. His purity before his Father becomes our purity. White reinforces that message of joy.

In addition to its use during Eastertide, white is the appointed color for such festive Sundays as Christmas and its twelve days; Epiphany (Jan. 6) and the first Sunday following it, observed as the Baptism of Our Lord; the Last Sunday after the Epiphany, also known as Transfiguration Sunday; Holy Trinity Sunday; and twenty-one minor festivals and occasions listed on the church year calendar in *Lutheran Service Book*. In all, white serves as the best festive color for the church year.







"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful." (John 15: 1-2). These words are very important in the life of each Christian. Let us look more closely at the truth that Jesus Christ says: "I am the vine, you are the branches" (John 15: 5). Jesus the true vine. Let's take a closer look and analyze what is the vine and branches meaning in the Bible?

### **Vine and Branches Meaning: What is connection?**

The first statement indicates an inseparable connection between the branches and the main vine. If we take it literally, then it turns out that we must be one with Jesus. With great reverence and fear, we must realize that Jesus calls us friends and has the greatest honor, allowing us to be branches on Him, as in a vine. Now we must conclude what we should be in our lives if we are branches of the vine of Christ. It is unlikely that any of us have seen an apple tree, from the trunk of which would grow branches of nettle. This is impossible because of the heterogeneity of

the plants, so having a great advantage, grow on the vine – we will match our own higher genus!

### **Vine and Branches Meaning: Common Root**

The second natural conclusion, which can be made from the words "I am the vine, and you are the branches," is the commonality of the root. Consequently, all the juices that enter through the root to the vine must pass to the branches. If you think about how this can reflect our everyday reality, then you can judge this. In our life, there are various events, and in daily life, we often face the need for choice. This verse from the Gospel of John shows that Jesus Christ and we should have common interests in everything: what is useful for the vine, it is also useful for the branches. After all, there is no such thing that the root feed on juices alone, and the tree crown is different. No, they have everything in common. Therefore, if you feel that your interests do not correspond to Christ, think, maybe you're not on the vine? Maybe you already is a wild branch, and have no relation to the beautiful plant of God?

### **Vine and Branches Meaning: Necessary Pruning**

The third and most important truth of Jesus' words is that "... every branch that brings forth fruit cleanses so that it will bear more fruit." In other words, if you are in the right condition and bear fruit for the kingdom of God, then necessary pruning is waiting for you. Many believe that the Lord realizes it with the help of hard and ruthless pruning down. Of course, it can not be denied that often such interference from above into our lives does not have effect as we would like. However, in no case should you think that God is pleased when we suffer! No! The Lord wants us to be more fruitful, so He does everything that is required of the gardener. But we also know that "... He will not let you be tempted beyond your strength" (1 Cor. 10: 13). Therefore, we will rejoice when the caring gardener shows his care, we know that He will not cause us unnecessary pain or unnecessary suffering. Glory be to Him for that!

### **Vine and Branches Meaning: Bear Fruits**

The fourth conclusion is that "If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15: 5). This is an extremely important detail! Some think that they can bear fruit, being somewhere outside Christ. To this is the unambiguous assertion of our Savior: "A branch can not bear fruit of itself." Immediately remember the words of Paul: "What do you have that you did not receive? If then you received it, why do you boast as if you did not receive it?" (1 Cor 4: 7). Any of our talents or abilities are from God and to Him. Let us devote ourselves to Him without a trace, realizing that if we have fruit in our Christian life, it is not our merit. By ourselves we could not bring anything. Being on the vine and eating from it, we bear fruit precisely because of it. Glory to Christ that He makes us able to produce fruit. And He still rewards for it as if it is our merit! Finally, I would like to appeal to those who do not belong to the church of the Lamb. And of course to those who are only a formal Christians. Such a sentence awaits: **"If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned."** (John 15: 6). Keep in mind that the particularly terrible situation is not for those who are not on the vine at all. This situation is for those who, being in a holy place, eating juices and posing as part of a vine – do not bear fruit! It is written, "Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away" (John 15: 2). How terrible it is to live a Christian life but don't be close to the Lord. Hearing the words "I never knew you", many will understand the insanity of fruitless finding on the vine, but it will be too late – they will be cut off and thrown into the fire. May God save us from this fate. Amen.

## INFORMATION ABOUT CHURCH AT BACK OF CHURCH

- Your church envelopes are at the back of the church for 2022, please pick them up on your way out of church.
- The minutes from the Boards will be in the back of the church, if they are not, please let the office know and we will make sure you get a copy of them
- Monthly calendar, Portal of Prayer, a copy of the News Letter and the Weekly News Service, you will have access to along with much more literature on the table.
- The Newsletter will be posted on our web site ([www.stmatthewmapleton.org](http://www.stmatthewmapleton.org)) if you have problems accessing this site call the church office please. Everyone that has e-mail will have access to this. The newsletter is published there. When you get to the web page you click on **Our Church** at the top and you will find Newsletter, click on **Newsletter** then you will see under St. Matthew in Action the Month (**February 2022**) click on that and the newsletter will pop up. Paper copy will be at the back of the church. TO ENTER INFORMATION IN THIS NEWSLETTER IT HAS TO BE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE BY THE 23rd OF THE MONTH.



Main Street Living is a Television Program that is endorsed by the Iowa West District of the LCMS. This program is a broadcast on KCAU, The ABC network affiliate in Sioux City on Sunday morning, starting at 10:00 am. The first 30 minutes are remastered episode of "This is the Life" The second half of the program is a modified Lutheran worship service that features a different Pastor each week, from the

area.

### FAVORITE RECIPE CORNER:

#### Swedish Pineapple Cake

Bake 350 degrees for 35-45 min.

(Joan Chandler)

Ingredients: 2c flour  
2c sugar  
2 eggs  
1c. Chopped nuts  
1tsp. Vanilla  
1 20oz. Can crushed pineapple  
Combine above and bake.

Frosting: 1 3/4 c. powder sugar  
1 8oz. Cr. Cheese  
1 stick butter or marg.  
1 tsp vanilla  
1/2c chopped nuts



Soften cr. Cheese and butter add powder sugar, vanilla and nuts. Spread on cake while it is still warm.

**Anyone willing to share a recipe please submit it to the church office or give it to Joan and it will be featured in the next months News Letter. Join in the fun.**

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
David	Bartels	Feb 24, 1949
Brayden	Brodersen	Feb 15, 2018
Montana	Brodersen	Feb 26, 2004
Cooper	Bruhn	Feb 11, 2013
Hadley	Bruhn	Feb 11, 2018
Kenneth	Carley	Feb 03, 1954
Robbie	Frahm	Feb 14, 1986
Donald	Fritz	Feb 05, 1972
Bradley	Goslar	Feb 18, 1998
Hunter	Goslar	Feb 26, 2016
Curtis	Hesse	Feb 07, 1962
Bruce	Jacobson	Feb 03, 1949
Dennis	Jahn	Feb 12, 1947
Steve	Johnson	Feb 06, 1947
Pam	Kovarna	Feb 17, 1951
Susan	Kruse	Feb 09, 1957
Christina	LaBoube	Feb 17, 1981
John	Melby	Feb 14, 1972
Kandis	Muhs	Feb 21, 1986
Mindi	Ohlmeier	Feb 10, 1985
Taya	Ohlmeier	Feb 16, 2009
Rodney	Pedersen	Feb 26, 1944
Stephanie	Schauer	Feb 16, 1983
Chelsea	Schrader	Feb 09, 1989
Marley	Scott	Feb 25, 2008
Zakary	Scott	Feb 04, 2001
Ryan	Trucke	Feb 03, 1994
Megan	WEBER	Feb 23, 1991
Nicholas	Wood	Feb 05, 1981
Robert	Wood	Feb 01, 1973
Kiana	Zawodny	Feb 05, 2011



*We are listing  
Baptismal  
birthdays to  
remember and  
celebrate the day  
we were  
adopted into the  
family of  
God  
through the  
washing of the  
Holy Spirit.*

## FEBRUARY BAPTISMS

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Joan	Chandler	Feb 13, 1956
Joshua	Creswell	Feb 12, 1984
Brett	Davis	Feb 18, 1979
Florice	Dose	Feb 03, 1935
Kevin	Goslar	Feb 13, 1972
Marshall	Goslar	Feb 25, 1973
Mary	Greiner	Feb 23, 1958
Duane	Hamann	Feb 11, 1964
Chana	Hinrickson	Feb 05, 1950
Bruce	Jacobson	Feb 03, 1949
Scott	Jacobson	Feb 16, 1975
Eric	Jacoby	Feb 09, 1975
Gene	Kaderabek	Feb 03, 1963
Joyce	Kruse	Feb 10, 1935
Eugene	Means	Feb 23, 1958
Jerry	Means	Feb 23, 1958
Jacob	Miller	Feb 16, 1992
Emma	Pithan	Feb 15, 2009
Sheryl	Schelm	Feb 22, 1961
Jeffrey	Scott	Feb 09, 1969
Ernest	Witzel	Feb 05, 1937

## 80 + Birthday God's Blessings

Mavis	Skow	Feb 08, 1941	<b>81</b>
Richard	Thoreson	Feb 13, 1940	<b>82</b>

## God's Blessings on your Wedding Anniversary

Zachery and Anna Goslar Feb 24, 2015 7yrs.



### Please Give the office a call or the Pastor...

Before going to hospital  
Private communion  
Address or name changes  
Death in the family  
Birth of your baby  
Making wedding plans

Church Office: 881-2243  
Fax: 881-1163

Email: [office@stmatthewmapleton.org](mailto:office@stmatthewmapleton.org)

Facebook page: [St. Matthew Lutheran-Mapleton](#)





Please continue to pray for our church leaders.  
*"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."*

**Romans 12:12**

**Pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17)**



**PRAYER WARRIORS**— The prayer warriors desire to hear from you as to how they can pray for you. We have 14 prayer warriors. We welcome more men and women to join us. if you need prayer call **Alice Miller** phone number 712-880-2380.

Members of St. Matthew with Special Needs and Concerns

Nazaria Kaderabek  
Selma Schrader

Carol Dose  
Alan Bruhn

Myrna Gosch  
Fred Fletcher

Melvin Schrader  
Fern Jacobsen

**Those who serve in the military:**

**Triston Twedt** (great-grandson of Alice and the late Keith Miller) serving with the Army at Ft. Lewis, WA

**Ryan Trucke** (son of Beth & Ed Trucke, Grandson of Kay and Richard Johnson) serving with U.S. Air Force at FE Warren AFB in Wyoming (wife and child are here). Ryan is at this address: Prince Sultan AFB, Saudia Arabia 378ECF-CEOIU Unit 61362 APO, AE 09877 (here for only 6 months)  
*His birthday is Feb 3, send him a card!*

**Jackie Cardwell** (niece of Jeff & Karen Krusen) serving U.S. Airforce at 17728 Margo St Omaha, NE 68136

**Marcus Roupe** serving in Cuba (nephew of Marilyn & Duane Hamann) PSC201 Box 6997  
 APO AE 09522

*Please drop them a line or two, they love getting mail and they would love hearing from their church family.*



*Spread the  
Fruits of the  
Spirit: Love,  
Joy, Peace,  
Patience,  
Gentleness,  
Kindness,  
Self-Control,  
Goodness, and  
Faithfulness.  
You will be  
rewarded!*

**Bonnie Banks** 87 yrs. Jun 2, 1934

Main Street Apartments  
516 Main Street Apt 2  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Delores Boysen** 82 yrs. Mar. 5, 1939

31153 Juinter Ave.  
Hinton, IA 51024

**Delbert Kroll** 88 yrs. Jun. 1, 1933

815 Ring Street  
Mapleton IA 51034

**Phyllis Fick** 93 yrs. Jun 3, 1928

Willow Dale Care—Assisted Living  
404 1st St.  
Battle Creek, IA 51006

**George Koithan** 89 yrs. Sept. 2, 1932

Sunrise Ave.  
Maple Heights Nursing Home 51034

**Carol Dose** 87 yrs. Jan. 22, 1934

Sunrise Ave.  
Maple Heights Nursing Home 51034

**Myrna Gosch** 80 yrs. Jan 9, 1941

Pleasant View Care Center  
200 Shannon Dr. Rm #108  
Whiting, IA 51063

**Melvin Schrader** 95 Oct. 29, 1926

21 Ohm Drive  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Selma Schrader** 92 yrs. Nov. 12, 1929

21 Ohm Drive  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Nazaria Kaderabek**

310 S. 6th St.  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Fern Jacobsen**

Main Street Apartments  
516 Main Street Apt 3  
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**Cecil, Fred Fletcher**

1225 B Ave.  
Danbury, IA 51019

**Alan Bruhn**

14535 Walnut Ave  
Mapleton, IA 51034

**Sharon Kuehl Henning**

312 Highcroft  
Window MN 56101

**Beth Weber**

Omaha Hospital

# SPOT LIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS

Card ministry. A big thank you goes out to Rita Lafrantz and Mavis Skow for taking much pride and care of this ministry of the church. They send Birthday (over 80 years) and Anniversary (over 50 years) cards on a monthly basis. They also send get well, sympathy, thinking of you and care and concern cards as needed. They send to shut-ins and nursing home residents for special occasions, birthday, Christmas etc. There are a variety of greeting cards available on the table in the narthex. Please thank them and send them a card also.



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Mapleton, IA  
51034



102 North 6th  
Apt #1  
Mapleton, IA  
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Also in our Spotlight is Alice Miller, who is charge of the PRAYER WARRIORS: Prayer warriors are a group of people who are dedicated to pray for people when they are ask. Whenever a prayer request come in fourteen people start praying for that request. Prayer is a mighty weapon at the disposal of every man, woman, and child who know God and His Son Jesus Christ. If your are interested in joining us... we have no meetings. Just call so your name will be included on the rooster for notification of the desired prayer request. Alice Miller 833 Ring Street, Mapleton, IA 51034



Dawn Paulsen also volunteer to serve our church as finical sectary. She counts and keeps track of our offerings. She gives of her time to help with other church projects so make sure you give Dawn a big thank you when you see her or just send her a card. Her address is: 12396 Teak Ave, Mapleton, IA 51034.

Ryan Paulsen is a hog farmer who serves his church as an Elder and Vice President. He attends our board meetings to help run our church. Also volunteering for many of our projects and activities. If you want more information give us a call. Please be sure to thank Ryan for his time and or send him a card. His address is: 12396 Teak Ave, Mapleton, IA 51034.



So also faith by itself, if it does not have works is dead. *James 2:17*

Walk in Love  
Be Kind to

one another. Think  
Positive and be Positive

TRIVIA QUESTION: by Christine LaBoube

Q: How many brothers did King David have 0, 1, 2, 7, 12?  
(1 Samuel 16: 10-11)

Answer found on pg. 10



## **OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **OF HOW YOUR CHURCH HELPS YOU**

Worship Service with Holy Communion 9:30 am on the 1st and the 3rd Sunday of the Month

Worship Services every Sunday at 9:30 am

Bible Study led by Pastor LaBou9be on Sunday morning at 10:45 am in the church basement.

In The Word another Bible Study in the Church Basement on the 1st Thursday of the month at 1:30 pm led by Pastor LaBoube

Sunday School for the children at 10:45 am in the educational unit led by Marla Hogan.

Confirmation program on Wednesday starting at 6pm to 7:30 pm

Helping hands We will gather and work every Wednesday from 1pm to 4 pm Come for an hour or two or stay for the whole day. Something for everyone to do. Bring sack launch. There is a lot ready, waiting to be put together. Good fellowship and good service to others whoa re in need of a warm blanket

## **OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH**

### **OF HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHURCH**

- Support your Pastor
- Be a Lay Reader
- Help on Sunday morning with Screens
- Cleaning the church (take pride in your church (call Lin Scott or Janeal Holmes)
- Lead a Bible Study (Ask Pastor he will help you with material)
- Help with outside work
- Help with repairs inside
- Be on the Altar Guild (call Janeal Holmes)
- Save Best Choice Award
- Be a prayer warrior
- Be Kind to one another and pray for one another
- Help a neighbor out
- Invite a neighbor to church or bring a member to church
- Offer a member a ride to a Dr. appt or give them a ride to get groceries.
- Offer to get a neighbor their groceries.
- Speak well of your church and Pastor



### **SUPER BOWL SUBS!**

Saint Matthew Lutheran Church is announcing the return of its Super Bowl Subs! Sandwich prices are \$8 for a 7" sub sandwich, a 12" footlong is \$15. Sandwich order forms can be dropped off or filled out, along with payment at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 504 Walnut Street, or call the office, 881-2243. Additionally, orders can be called in to Marilyn Hamann, 870-1947 or Ramona Weber, 840-9837. Orders need to be placed and paid for in advance no later than Thursday, 10 February.

The Subs can include various meats: baloney, salami, ham, and turkey; cheeses are American yellow and white. Additional condiments include lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, mayonnaise, mustard. The prepared subs will be available for pick up at St. Matthew Lutheran Church basement, 504 Walnut Street, Mapleton on Super Bowl Sunday, 13 February. Delivery is available in Mapleton for a \$3 fee.

Helpers are still needed.

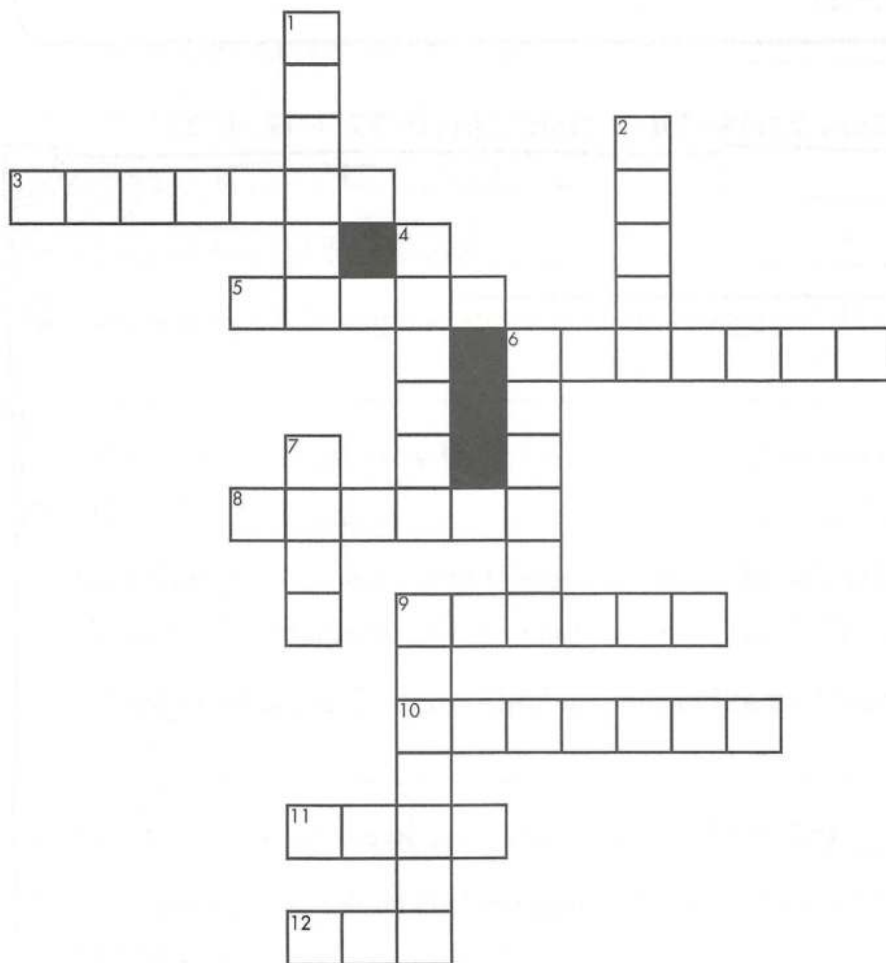
# February Calendar 2022 St Matthew Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b> Shari Erlemeier 881-1661 Pam Kovarna 882-2314		1 Board of Elders 7 pm	2 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm	3 In the Word 1:30 pm	4	5
6 5th Sun. after Epiphany services 9:30am w/HC <u>Elder:</u> Ryan Paulsen <u>Reader:</u> Ryan Paulsen <u>Screens:</u> Mark Witzel Sun. Sch.10:45am Bible Cl. 10:45am	7 Pastors Family Day	8 Board of Directors 7 pm Circuit Pastor Meeting 8 am to 12 noon	9 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm	10	11	12
13 6th Sun. after Epiphany services 9:30am <u>Elder:</u> Jeff Krusen <u>Reader:</u> Joe Hogan <u>Screens:</u> Dennis Muckey Sun. Sch.10:45am Bible Cl. 10:45am	14 Pastors Family Day Cleaning the Church 9 am	15	16 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm	17	18	
20 7th Sun. after Epiphany services 9:30am w/HC <u>Elder</u> Mark Witzel <u>Reader:</u> Mark Witzel <u>Screens:</u> Joe Hogan Sun. Sch.10:45am Bible Cl. 10:45am	21 Pastors Family Day	22	23 Confirmation Class 6:00 pm	24	25	26
27 Transfiguration of Our Lord services 9:30am <u>Elder:</u> Duane Hamann <u>Reader:</u> Ryan Paulsen <u>Screens:</u> Mark Witzel Sun. Sch.10:45am Bible Cl. 10:45am	28 Pastors Family Day					

Answer to Trivia Question: 7 brothers

## Genesis—In the Beginning

Some of the most interesting stories in the Bible are found in Genesis. Answer the clues to complete the crossword puzzle using this action-filled book.



### Across

3. God was \_\_\_\_ that He had made men. (6:6)
5. His name means "laughter." (21:1-6)
6. She gave birth to two nations—twin boys. (25:19-28)
8. His brothers mockingly called him "the dreamer." (37:12-19)
9. God destroyed the wicked cities of Sodom and Gomorrah with this. (19:23-25)
10. This was the symbol of God's promise after the flood. (9:12-13)
11. God was pleased with his offering. (4:2-5)
12. He was Abraham's nephew. (12:4-5)

### Down

1. He saw these going up and down a stairway to Heaven. (28:10-17)
2. He tricked his brother Esau out of his birthright. (27:11)
4. Pharaoh's dreams were a warning from God about a great \_\_\_\_\_. (41:28-32)
6. Jacob married these two sisters, Leah and \_\_\_\_\_. (29:14-30)
7. "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for \_\_\_\_." (50:20)
9. He tricked Eve in the Garden of Eden. (3:1)





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In His Footsteps:

Meet each new day  
knowing that God is  
by your side and will  
lead you every step  
of the way.

**LET'S STAY CONNECTED** OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO CONTINUE TO FILL UP WITH JESUS By READING AND LISTENING TO THE BIBLE **Mission Central...** [www.missioncentral.us](http://www.missioncentral.us) **Lutheran Family Service:** [www.lfsiowa.org](http://www.lfsiowa.org) **WEB SITES:** Iowa District West—[www.idwlcms.org](http://www.idwlcms.org) Camp Okoboji – [www.campokoboji.org](http://www.campokoboji.org) **“THY STRONG WORD”** is a daily devotion airing at 6:25 am Monday through Saturday on KDSN (104.9 FM) **“THE LUTHERAN HOUR”** can be heard every Sunday on radio station—KDSN-FM (104.9) at 6:30 am and 1530 at 10:30 am. It is available 24 hours a day on the internet in Real Audio. Visit [www.lhm.org](http://www.lhm.org) and click on the Lutheran Hour on the left side of the page **“THE GOOD SHEPHEARD HOUR** airs on the following stations every Sunday: 8 am Fort Dodge-KVFD 1400 AM; 8 am Sioux City—KSCJ 1360 AM; 10:30 am Storm Lake—KAYL 101.5 FM **Lutheran Family Services:** [www.lfsiowa.org](http://www.lfsiowa.org) **MainStreet Living**— is a Television Program that is endorsed by the Iowa West District of the LCMS This program is broadcast on KCAU, the ABC network affiliate in Sioux City on Sunday morning, starting at 10:00 AM. The first 30 minutes are remastered episode of “This is the Life” The second half of the program is a modified Lutheran worship service that features a different Pastor each week, from the area.



Dear Lord, I know there is a place inside of us that is for Jesus only, a place in our spirit and soul that no one and nothing can block —as long as we're looking and listening for Him. Jesus knows just how to reach each one of us. If we listen for Him knocking on the door of our heart and open it to Him He will come in and be with us. Please Lord help us how to listen. Amen