

Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 22, 2023

St John's Reformed Church of Loysburg

Pastor Earl Herr

Scripture: **Exodus 1:6-14, 2:23-25**

Message: **A Bush, Some Dirt, A Stick**

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 90)

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

We are brought to an end by your anger and by your wrath we are dismayed.

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants.

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands.

*Opening Hymn: "Holy Ground" (Insert)

Prayer of Invocation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal and merciful God, You have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and You have set us on paths of righteousness for Your name's sake; Yet, we have strayed from Your way; we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. We have wandered from Your pathway. O God, we praise you and give you thanks that through Christ you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the

The CCCC Statement of Faith

- We believe the Bible consisting of the Old and New Testament, to be the only inspired, inerrant, infallible, authoritative Word of God written.
- We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
- We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling power and fullness the Christian is enabled to live a godly life in this present evil world.
- We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
- We believe in the spiritual unity of all believers in Christ.

grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

Kyrie

Assurance of Pardon

Apostles Creed

*Gloria Patria

Special Music: Dennis & Tina Holderbaum "Ten Thousand Years"

Children's Moment: Chelsea Kurtz

Offertory thought

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

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Pastoral Prayer

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*Closing Hymn: FHP #34 "How Great Thou Art!"

*Benediction

*Three-Fold Amen

The flowers on the altar are given in memory of loved ones and in honor of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior by John and Barb Thomas.

*****ANNOUNCEMENTS*****

Today

We welcome **Pastor Earl Herr** to the pulpit this morning.
Sunday school for all ages, 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday

February issue of Jottings from St. John's - Last day to submit news or announcements to David Snyder. Phone 814-575-5255 or email dave_sharonsnyder@yahoo.com.

Next Sunday

Annual Congregational Meeting: Note change in schedule:
Sunday school 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:45 a.m.

Covered dish lunch at noon

Congregational Meeting 1:00 p.m.

Beauty for Ashes registration form/payment due to Barb Thomas.

Coming Tuesday, January 31

Heidelberg Catechism: Pastor Dave is starting a Heidelberg Catechism study at 6:00 p.m. Anyone interested, please let him know so he can order books.

Coming Thursday, February 2

Weekly Bible Study for Ladies: 9:45 - 11:15 a.m.. See Barb Thomas or Leah Salyards if you plan to attend or are willing to volunteer to help with Bible Study or child care.

*****PRAYER UPDATES*****

Family and Friends of Leon People (Grieving)

Berneta Gable recovering from shoulder surgery.

Richard Clark recovering from shoulder surgery.

Lynda (Sweinhart) Miller & Larry Garlock are both in last stage hospice care.

Camden Knab, (9 yr old son of Janelle (Ott) & Dave Knab) was released from the Cleveland hospital and feeling better after an OR procedure and new medication.

Todd Slick (Tina Holderbaum's classmate's son) is in critical condition in a Pittsburgh Hospital with a rare, life-threatening thyroid condition.

Janice S. (niece of Linda Henderhan's friend) will have ovarian cancer surgery on Tuesday in Pittsburgh.

*****NORTHERN BEDFORD FOOD PANTRY*****

The food pantry is requesting Knoors Packets, spaghetti sauce, instant potatoes (mashed, scalloped, au gratin) for the month of January. Also, toothpaste, shaving cream, shampoo, Q-tips and cosmetics.