



# **Peace Lutheran Church**

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## **Mission Statement**

*To help all people know, believe and follow Jesus Christ*

**Sunday Worship      9:30 a.m.**

# Welcome to Peace Lutheran Church!

Whether you're a first time visitor or a long-time member, we welcome you to worship this morning! If you are visiting, we look forward to meeting you and hope you will join us again, soon. **We would appreciate your signing our guestbook before you leave.**

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## Some Helpful Information

**Please Feel Free To Sit At Anytime During The Worship Service:** During the worship services at Peace Lutheran there are many times when the people stand. Sometimes the standing can be quite lengthy. We do not want to place any undue burden on anyone worshipping with us. Therefore, please feel free to sit whenever you desire. Thank you and Christ's blessings.

**Restrooms** – A restroom is located to the right just as you leave the sanctuary and enter the entrance hall. Restrooms for men and women are also located at the top of the stairs in the Parish Hall. Go into the lounge, turn right and continue up the stairs.

**Fellowship and Refreshments** – Immediately following worship, coffee and other refreshments and treats are served in Luther Lounge (the lounge just off the entrance hall). Come relax with us and enjoy the company as we will certainly enjoy your company.

**Holy Communion** – At Peace Lutheran we celebrate Holy Communion on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Holy Communion is a very special meal for the children of God in Christ. All who have been baptized and believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and all those who hunger and thirst for Christ's forgiveness and God's strength for living, are invited to join in Holy Communion. **Grape juice** (instead of wine) is available in the individual glasses in the middle of the tray. The wine is red; the grape juice is white. Pastor blesses any of the children who are brought to the communion rail. Any adults who come to the rail and desire a blessing but not communion may cross their arms and pastor will bless them.

**Please join us again next week!**

# **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

## **February 9, 2020**

### **Introduction**

Light shines in the darkness for the upright, the psalmist sings. Isaiah declares that when we loose the bonds of injustice and share our bread with the hungry, the light breaks forth like the dawn. In another passage from the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus, the light of the world, calls his followers to let the light of their good works shine before others. Through baptism we are sent into the world to shine with the light of Christ.

Thank you for worshipping at Peace Lutheran Church today!

**Prayer Before Worship** - Heavenly Father, You sent Your Son into this world of darkness and death to be our light and our life. Strengthen us so that we share and shine the light of Christ throughout the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### **Pre-Service Music**

### **Ringling The Bell**

### **Welcome**

### **Opening Sentences** (Please stand)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Blessed are those who fear the Lord,  
People: **who greatly delight in His commandments.**

Pastor: Light dawns in the darkness for the upright.  
People: **God is gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

Pastor: You are the light of the world,  
**People: a city on a hill that cannot be hidden.**

Pastor: Let your light shine that others may see and give glory to God.

## **Entrance Song - Arise, Your Light Has Come!** (Tune: LBW #383. Please remain standing)

- 1 Arise, your light has come!  
The Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God  
which shines on you today.
- 2 Arise, your light has come!  
Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captive's liberty,  
good tidings to the poor.
- 3 Arise, your light has come!  
All you in sorrow born,  
bind up the brokenhearted ones  
and comfort those who mourn.
- 4 Arise, your light has come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing,  
God's pow'r will make us strong.

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## **Confession And Absolution** (Please remain standing)

Pastor: Jesus does indeed call us the light of the world and tells us to let our light shine, but there have been times when we have hidden our light. There have been times when we could have shared our light with others, but we refused to do so for fear of rejection. Though we are the light of the world, we sometimes choose darkness instead of light.

But we come before our heavenly Father to ask for His forgiveness.

- Silence for reflection. - Heavenly Father,

**All: we confess that we have not always walked in Your light. We have hidden Your light from others. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive our sins and our weakness. Illumine and energize us once again to shine Your light to the ends of the earth.**

**Pastor:** Even though we fail to act as the light of the world, Jesus never failed to shine His light. For our sins, Jesus, the light of the world was extinguished on the cross, yet He is risen from the dead never to die again. Because of His death and resurrection, darkness flees and sins are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen. We are the light of the world. We are forgiven in Christ.**

(We share the peace of the Lord)

**Response - From the Dwelling Place of Light** (Tune: LBW #28. Please be seated)

- 1 From the dwelling place of light,  
summoned from its velvet home,  
rising shines the star in night,  
light no dark can overcome.
- 2 Rise, O Star, and clear our eyes;  
world and need lie dim concealed;  
rend the dark of inward skies;  
shine, and all shall be revealed.
- 3 Shine on us, O glorious Christ,  
Light from light, and bright with grace;  
luminous, your people rise,  
glory shining from each face.

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## First Reading - Isaiah 58:1-12 (Please remain seated)

Shortly after the return of Israel from exile in Babylon, the people were troubled by the ineffectiveness of their fasts. God reminds them that outward observance is no substitute for genuine fasting that results in acts of justice, such as feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, and clothing the naked.

<sup>1</sup>Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. <sup>3</sup>“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. <sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. <sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? <sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. <sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, <sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. <sup>11</sup>The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. <sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

## **Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 2:1-16** (Please remain seated)

Though people such as the Corinthians are enamored with human philosophy and wisdom, Paul continuously presents God's hidden wisdom which is Jesus Christ crucified. True spiritual maturity involves judging ourselves and others in light of God's revelation in the cross.

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. <sup>6</sup>Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. <sup>7</sup>But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. <sup>8</sup>None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. <sup>9</sup>But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him"—<sup>10</sup>these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. <sup>11</sup>For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. <sup>12</sup>Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. <sup>13</sup>And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. <sup>14</sup>Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. <sup>15</sup>Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. <sup>16</sup>"For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

## **Gospel - Matthew 5:13-20** (Please remain seated)

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages his followers to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, doing good works and keeping God's commandments.

[Jesus said:] <sup>13</sup>"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. <sup>14</sup>"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. <sup>15</sup>No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the

lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup>In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. <sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. <sup>18</sup>For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

### **Theme Song - Renew Me, O Eternal Light** (LBW #511. Please remain seated)

- 1 Renew me, O eternal Light,  
and let my heart and soul be bright,  
illumined with the light of grace  
that issues from your holy face.
- 2 Remove the pow'r of sin from me  
and cleanse all my impurity,  
that I may have the strength and will  
temptations of the flesh to still.
- 3 Create in me a new heart, Lord,  
that gladly I obey your word.  
Let what you will be my desire,  
and with new life my soul inspire.
- 4 Grant that I only you may love  
and seek those things which are above,  
till I behold you face to face,  
O Light eternal, through your grace.

Text: Johann F. Ruopp, 1672-1708; tr. August Crull, 1846-1923



## Message

### Baptismal Culture Be The Moon, Reflect The Son Matthew 5:13-20

## Response - This Little Light Of Mine (ELW #677. Please stand)

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;  
Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

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Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Text: African American Spiritual. Music: THIS JOY, African American Spiritual

## Prayer Of The Church (Please remain standing)

**Pastor:** Dear heavenly Father, You sent Your Son to be the light of the world. Send out messengers and missionaries to share the light of Christ in every corner of the earth, that people from every tribe, nation, and language would follow Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, there are many in this world who live in the darkness of depression, anxiety, and mental illness. Help us to be light to those in dark places, to encourage them to seek medical assistance, and to accept them as Your beloved children. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, walk with all those who are grieving in the shadow of death. Comfort them with the hope of the resurrection to eternal light and life. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, shine Your light upon all those in public office. Enlighten them with Your wisdom and keep them from the darkness of the evil one. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, strengthen all those who are poor, homeless, hungry, oppressed, or in need in any way. Help us to see these people as Your creations in need of Your mercy and light, just as we are. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, look with favor upon all who are sick, injured, and recovering. Have mercy upon them and heal them according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer.**

**Additional Prayers:**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord, we commend all of these things to Your infinite mercies, which are new every morning. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**People: hear our prayer. Amen.**

**Sharing The Gifts Of God** (Please be seated as the offerings are received)

## **Communion Song - Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**

(LBW #423. Please remain seated)

- 1 Lord, whose love in humble service  
bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross, forsaken,  
worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship  
not of voice alone, but heart;  
consecrating to your purpose  
ev'ry gift which you impart.
- 2 Still your children wander homeless;  
still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom;  
still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion  
healed the sick and freed the soul,  
by your Spirit send your power  
to our world to make it whole.
- 3 As we worship, grant us vision,  
till your love's revealing light  
in its height and depth and greatness  
dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making known the needs and burdens  
your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to ardent service,  
your abundant life to share.

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## **Confession Of Faith - Apostles Creed** (Please stand and confess together)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day**

he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

## **Order Of Holy Communion** (Please remain standing)

**Pastor:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." . . . In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." . . . As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People:** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Pastor:** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood in this Sacrament You lead us to remember all that You have done for us before we were born, to realize that You are with us today, and to await Your promised return one day to receive us into Your eternal kingdom. So remember us in Your kingdom now and teach us to pray:

**People:** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People:** **Amen.**

## **Agnus Dei - Lamb of God, the Hope of Sinners** (Tune: LBW #233. Please remain standing)

Lamb of God, the hope of sinners,  
You have cleansed each spot and stain.  
Send Your light and shine Your glory  
That the world may see again.  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Grant us peace, O Lord, we pray!  
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Bring us to Your endless day.

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## **Distribution** (Please be seated)

Approach the altar at the usher's direction. Communion is received kneeling—the bread in your outstretched open hands, the wine in a small cup. Place empty cups in the tray to the side. If you wish only a blessing, just fold your hands together over your heart.

### **Prayer before Communion** (Prayed privately before going to the altar)

Merciful God, we do not presume to come to your table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat and drink the body and blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, that we may live in him and he in us, now and forever. Amen.

### **Prayer After Communion** (Prayed privately after returning to your seated)

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Amen.

## **Blessing** (Please stand)

## **Post-Communion Thanksgiving**

**Pastor:** Let us pray. . . . We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have sent Jesus to be our light and our salvation. We implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us in this Sacrament and empower us to walk in Your light; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

## **Blessing** (Please remain standing)

**Pastor:** May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always.

**People:** **Amen.**

## **Dismissal** (Please remain standing)

**Lay Minister:** Go in peace. Let your light shine.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **Closing Song - Send Out Your Light** (Tune: LBW #352. Please remain standing)

- 1 Send out your light as sacred proof,  
and as its partner, gospel truth.  
They guide us to your holy hill,  
close to your home, your heart, your will.
- 2 Straight to your altar we shall go,  
as joy on joy begins to grow.  
With light and truth to ease the way,  
we move in praise of you this day.
- 3 No souls on earth need sorrow now;  
hope in the one to whom we bow.  
Joy draws a peace upon each face,  
as we draw near your perfect place.

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## **Announcements**

## **Recessional**

# Serving The Lord With Gladness

<b>Pastor:</b>	<b>Pastor Ricky Adams</b>
<b>Pianist:</b>	<b>Janet Reese</b>
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<b>Janice Hellman and Vicki McGowan</b>
<b>Coffee:</b>	<b>Jackie Reynolds and Keith Stoneking</b>
<b>Counter:</b>	<b>Vicki McGowan</b>
<b>Lay Minister:</b>	<b>Rick Kenney</b>
<b>Usher:</b>	<b>Peter Pardini</b>
<b>Lay Reader:</b>	<b>Cynthia Smith</b>

## Activities This Week:

<b>Sunday – February 9</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>
<b>Monday – February 10</b>	<b>6-8 p.m.</b>	<b>AA Meeting (PH)</b>
<b>Tuesday – February 11</b>	<b>9:30am -12: 30 pm</b> <b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Stage Door (PH)</b> <b>Brown Bag (LL)</b>
<b>Wednesday – February 12</b>	<b>2:45-6:15 pm</b> <b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Patricia Miner (S)</b> <b>Stage Door (PH)</b>
<b>Saturday – February 15</b>	<b>8:30-9:30am</b> <b>9:30a-12:30pm</b>	<b>Pilates (PH)</b> <b>Stage Door (PH)</b>
<b>Sunday – February 16</b>	<b>9:30 am</b> <b>10:45</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b> <b>Council Meeting (PH)</b>

**Information About Peace Lutheran Church** - If you desire to know more about Peace Lutheran Church such as teachings; affiliations, membership or other questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Adams.

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**Flowers** – Flowers today are given to the glory of God.

**Birthdays** – Blessings to those who celebrated or will celebrate birthdays:

**Tuesday –Joanne Wells (Mosher)**

**March 1 Informal Congregational Meeting** – On March 1, Rev. Michael Lang, president of our California-Nevada-Hawaii District, will preach and lead a discussion concerning future options for Peace Lutheran Church. Please set aside the time to join the discussion. Christ's Peace.

**Ash Wednesday, February 26** – On Wednesday, February we will observe Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent with a special service of the Word and Sacrament. Before the service we will have a soup supper. Please join us. Christ's Peace.

**New Directory** – We are putting together a new directory for Peace Lutheran Church. Please review the entrance for your name, make any changes and check your name so we know you reviewed it. Christ's Peace.

**Servers** – Every Sunday there are several people that help serve during the worship service and coffee hour. Peace Lutheran needs your help. We need people to prepare Coffee hour and serve during that time. We need Ushers. We need lay readers who read the second lesson during worship. Please consider these needs and sign up to serve in the way you choose. Thank you.

**Flowers** – If you would like to donate flowers for worship in memory of a person or observing a personal event, please contact pastor via email at [pastor@plcmarin.org](mailto:pastor@plcmarin.org)

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## **Weekly Devotional Helps**

### **February 9 – February 15, 2020**

#### **Morning Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### **Evening Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

#### **Prayer For The Sick**

By your power, great God, our Lord Jesus healed the sick and gave new hope to the hopeless. Though we cannot command or possess your power, we pray for those who want to be healed. Mend their wounds, soothe fevered brows, and make broken people whole again. Help us to welcome every healing as a sign that, though death is against us, you are for us, and have promised renewed and risen life in Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

### **Scripture Readings Through The Week**

#### **Monday – February 10**

Psalm 119:105-112  
2 Kings 22:3-20  
Romans 11:2-10

#### **Tuesday – February 11**

Psalm 119:105-112  
2 Kings 23:1-8, 21-25  
2 Corinthians 4:1-12

#### **Wednesday – February 12**

Psalm 119:105-112  
Proverbs 6:6-23  
John 8:12-30

#### **Thursday – February 13**

Psalm 119:1-8  
Genesis 26:1-5  
James 1:12-16

**Friday – February 14**

Psalm 119:1-8

Leviticus 26:34-46

1 John 2:7-17

**Saturday – February 15**

Psalm 119:1-8

Deuteronomy 30:1-9a

Matthew 15:1-9

**Scripture Readings For Next Sunday****Sixth Sunday After Epiphany****Deuteronomy 30:15-20****Psalm 119:1-8****1 Corinthians 3:1-9****Matthew 5:21-37****Commemorations**

**February 14 - Martyr St. Valentine:** What is known is that Valentine ended life confessing Christ to the last, dying a martyr's death in Rome under Emperor Claudius II around AD 270. The very day that Valentine was to face his martyrdom, he is said to have brought consolation to the daughter of his jailer by writing to her a small note of encouragement. Hence, the custom of St. Valentine's day notes arose, which has spread far and wide. From the relative obscurity of his life, we may learn a valuable lesson: God remembers what people forget. Baptized into Christ, marked with the holy cross as the Lord's own, fed with the body and blood of the Savior, Valentine lived and served, loved and died a witness to the invincible love of God in Christ Jesus. — Quoted from Weedon, William. Celebrating the Saints . Concordia Publishing House. Kindle Edition. ©2016

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