

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus begins His public ministry by calling fishermen to leave their nets and follow Him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross - as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be "caught" in the net of God's grace and mercy!

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thank you to all who attended the Annual meeting this past Wed Jan 21. Daniel Borchers and Warren Gradert will serve on Council. Steve Rehder will serve as deacon. Outgoing are Dave Winterfeld and Matt Lammers, Council; and Darrell Vermeer, deacon. New leadership will be installed next Sun Feb 01.
- Noted from the Annual meeting: The Call Cttee is interviewing applicants. There was some modification of general fund designations for missions.
- Thank you to Tasha W who decorates the sanctuary for the seasons, including Advent/Christmas and Lent/Holy Week/Easter.

#### ***A message from the Bondarenko and Homziakov family***

*...by Natalia Homziakova, who wanted to say these words when their family was received into the membership of this church last Sunday, but didn't "because I forgot to warn the Pastor that I wanted to talk", so asked that her thoughts be printed here instead. "We are still amazed how our church wasn't afraid to take us in ...this is the true love of our Lord whose people deeply love God and sincerely serve Him from the heart. You know how to empathize and understand ...a sacrificial church ...true Christians. This is a great blessing from Jesus for our family. This is immense mercy from Him and we understand this very well. God is so good to us!"*

#### DEACONS' PRAYER LIST

Our church leadership; Evert DeBondt, Lorene Franken, Lura Gayer, Orville Rehder, Shirley Rehder, Irene Sneller (CrPointe Estates SC).

#### SERVING TODAY (and next week)

Lectors: Jeff R (Mike DR) Deacon: Darrell V (Joe R)  
Praise Team sings today (off)  
A/V: Tim S, Ryan DZ (Jeff R, Tasha W)  
Acolyte: Maryna H (Adi W) Organ: Becky S (Matt L)

#### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK (ESV)

Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 15; I Corinthians 1:10-18

#### SCHEDULE

Mon 01/26 10:30am PLC worship re-broadcast Ch 12 (Premier)  
Wed 01/28 05:30pm Praise Team rehearses  
06:30pm Adult Bible Study (*note rescheduled date*)  
06:30pm. Supper  
07:00pm. Bible Study lead by Pastor Bill  
Sun 02/01 06:00pm - 08:00pm. LYO at PLC.  
Sun 02/15 06:00pm - 08:00pm. LYO at PLC.  
Wed 02/18 06:30pm Ash Wednesday worship  
Tue 02/24 02:00pm Pastor Bill leads worship at Crown Pointe

#### PRAYER FOR LOCAL CONGREGATION

Bethel Christian Reformed Church, Pastor John Lee

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Watch Sunday worship live on Facebook streaming or YouTube,  
re-broadcast Mondays 10:30am Channel 12 (Premier)

To purchase PLC logo tshirt, contact Marissa Rehder 712-203-1234

# PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH LCMC



**January 25, 2026**

Third Sunday after Epiphany  
Rev. William Loefke, Pastor

Faith Alive Service 10:15am  
Youth Sunday School 09:00am  
Adult Sunday School 09:15am

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Faith Alive Worship Hour!

Praise Team  
*a time of preparation for worship*

Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn #431  
*"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*  
*"I am the Light of the world."*  
*John 8:12*

Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, by grace alone You call us and accept us in Your service. Strengthen us by Your Spirit and make us worthy of Your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Children's Time

*"Let the children come...!" Luke 18:16*

First Lesson  
*Micah 6:1-8*

Responsive Reading

*Psalm 15*

Epistle Lesson

*I Corinthians 1:18-31*

Congregation Response to Epistle Reading:  
***"Thanks be to God!"***

Congregation Sings Hymn #9  
*"Glorify Thy Name"*

Announcement of the Holy Gospel

*Matthew 5:1-12*

***"Glory to You, O Lord"***

Congregation Response to Gospel Reading  
***"Praise to You, O Christ"***

Sermon

*"The Blessed Ones of God"*

Sermon Notes available in Narthex

Hymn of the Day #553

*"Nearer, My God, to Thee"*

*"It is good to be near God. I have made  
the Sovereign Lord my refuge." Psalm 73:28*

Apostle's Creed

Sharing of God's Peace

Offertory

Blessing of Tithes and Offerings

*Hymn #815 "Doxology"*

Prayers Of The People

Reader: *"God, in Your mercy,"*

Congregation: ***"Hear our prayer."***

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn #415

*"We Are Called to Be God's People"*

*"You are a chosen people,  
a people belonging to God." 1 Peter 2:9*

Dismissal

Pastor: *"Dynamic Love!"*

Dynamic Ministry! God's Holy Word!"

Congregation: ***"Thanks be to God!"***

Postlude

January Benevolence

*The Banquet, Sioux Falls SD*

Welcome Visitors! Please sign guest book in the Narthex.

Enjoy coffee in the Narthex, \$3 donation requested.

Hymns are from *The Celebration Hymnal* unless noted.

Scriptures are from ESV (English Standard Version).

Offerings are received when the plate is passed during worship.