

HYMN OF THE WEEK 410 Within the Father's House

READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

MONDAY The Tongue Can Start a Wildfire – James 3:4-12
TUESDAY Loose Tongues and Judgment Day
– Matthew 12:30-37
WEDNESDAY Let Your 'Yes' be 'Yes' – Matthew 5:33-37
THURSDAY Wisdom Avoids Gossip – Proverbs 11:12-13
FRIDAY Last Sunday's Gospel Reading – Luke 2:41-52
SATURDAY Tomorrow's Gospel Reading – John 2:1-11

CATECHISM LESSON (page 321 in *Lutheran Service Book*)

What is the Eighth Commandment?

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

APOSTLES' CREED

COLLECT OF THE WEEK *printed on the front page*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

Let us Bless the Lord

Thanks be to God

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CONNECTED IN CHRIST

For the Week After The Epiphany

Saint John's in Lovell

January 12th — 18th

BEAUTIFYING OUR WORSHIP THIS WEEK

USHERS: Damian Wagner and Ron Schmidt

ALTAR CARE: Tyrell & Charis Bischoff

PREACHER: Pastor Benson

ORGANIST: Dawn Hoffman

COLLECT OF THE WEEK: O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You and grant that they both perceive and know what things they ought to do and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Tue. 9:00 Matins

All Day – Yellowstone Circuit Winkel (Lovell)

Wed. 9:30 New Horizons Bible Study & Divine Service

3:15 After-School Academy

6:30 Youth Confirmation

Thur. 6:00-12:00 – Pastor Benson unavailable for meeting (teaching & school work)

Afternoon: Pastor Benson available for counseling and confession. Call or text to set up a time.

4:00-5:30 Commodities Distribution

Fri. All Day: Pastor Benson available for counseling and confession. Call or text to set up a time.

SUNDAY JANUARY 19TH

9:15 Bible Study – 1 Kings

10:30 Divine Service for The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Exodus 33:12-33; Psalm 111; Romans 12:6-16; John 2:1-11

IN OUR PRAYERS

FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE LEADERS IN THE CHURCH: President Matthew Harrison (LCMS); Vice President Nabil Nour (Great Plains); President John Hill (Wyoming District); Pastor Jared Korb (Yellowstone Circuit Visitor); The Rev. Jonah Dominichelli (Missionary in Germany); Vicar David Gray.

THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED OF PRAYERS FOR BODY OR SOUL: Francis and Joann Moody; Radley; Major; Shane Heavin; Cassy-Jo; The congregations of Grace in Greybull and Zion in Emblem; Carol Nickelson; Sharron Nicholls; Phyrn Opp; all the unborn in Wyoming.

OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO WORSHIP AT NEW HORIZONS: Jan Hillman; Carol Nickelson; Richard Rayle; Harilyn Selle; Glenda Bresach; Edna Tippetts.

OUR SHUT-IN AND HOME-BOUND BROTHERS AND SISTERS: Berdie Brettin; Robert Zwemer; Nelson Saint Thomas.

THE WIDOWS OF OUR CONGREGATION: Linda Angel; Olive Fink; Phyllis Fringer; Kylie Heavin; Marcy Ohman; Phyrn Opp; Edna Tippetts.

FOR THOSE WHO APPROACH DEATH:

IN THANKSGIVING: For the beauty of snow and the joy of a new year.

THOSE WHO HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE FAITH:

Please direct all prayer requests to Pastor Benson either through email or phone.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Christian Education** – Every Sunday Saint John’s holds a Bible Study at 9:15 am. We are currently working through 1 Kings. There is a ladies Bible Study following the monthly LWML meeting, and the youth of our congregation (K-6) are invited to After-School Academy every Wednesday. “The Word of God is living and active” and studying it is well worth your time.
- **Year-End Contributions** have been distributed. Please check your church mail box or your physical mailing address.
- **Snow shovelers wanted!** Last year some folks from our congregation made sure that the wheelchair ramp and sidewalks around Bonnie Green’s house were cleared (house with the ramp on the corner of Jersey and Carmon). Please let Pastor Benson know if you’re willing to help out this year. We are also in need of volunteers to **shovel the walks at church**. Please speak with one of the Trustees if you’re willing.

- **After-School Academy** is always in need of volunteers every Wednesday during the school year from 3:15-4:30. You can help by: **(1)** providing snacks **(2)** helping prepare and complete the weekly craft or activity, **(3)** general child-wrangling. Thanks for supporting the youth of our congregation.
- **TTGNAJ** – this year’s *Tell the Good News About Jesus* Convocation will be held in Casper on February 7th & 8th. More information can be found in the Narthex.
- **House Blessings** – This bright season of Epiphany is the perfect time to have your home blessed. If you’ve never had a house blessing, it’s a great opportunity to fill your house with prayer, and if you have experienced one before, it’s always good to pray and sing! See the sign-up sheet in the Narthex or contact Pastor to set up a time.
- **Wedding Banns** – It is the intention of Josiah Mizell and Sofia Weir to be joined together in Holy Matrimony. If anyone is opposed to this union or has just reason they should not enter into this holy estate, speak now.

If you plan on using your bulletin for devotional use please take it home with you. If you just plan on throwing it away, please leave it so Pastor Benson can dispose of the Word of God and the holy Images with reverence.

DAILY PRAYERS & READINGS

The head of the household can use this guide to lead in-home devotions.

O Lord, Open ✦ My Lips

And my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make Haste, ✦ O God, to deliver me.

Make Haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

PSALMODY

MONDAY Psalm 58

TUESDAY Psalm 109

WEDNESDAY Psalm 41

THURSDAY Psalm 52

FRIDAY Psalm 50

SATURDAY Psalm 111