

# TODAY'S NEWS

## What Happened This Week | Upcoming Events

### Shrove Tuesday

Join us for pancakes and rich desserts on Tuesday, February 13 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, 207 S. Hayden St. We will rotate this fellowship event and next year we will host the pancake supper.

### Ash Wednesday

Imposition of Ashes at 12:05 p.m. either at St. John Lutheran Church with Pastor Melinda or with Holy Eucharist in the Parlor with Mother Hazel officiating. Stations of the Cross with Glenda Hinsman at 1:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. we will also have Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist.

### Last Epiphany

This Sunday ends the season of the Epiphany. Our readings will focus on the Transfiguration. We will also enroll many of our young adults into the Catechumenate, a period of discernment for baptism and confirmation.



## Soup-er Bowl Fund-Raiser

Thanks to all of you who supported our combined Youth Group Fund-Raiser. Many of you placed orders with our youth, and on Saturday afternoon we assembled more than 150 hoagies. Thanks to our partner parish, St. John Lutheran, we received a grant from Thrivent Financial Services of \$250 that covered most of our costs. We also had excellent support from our wonderful partners in the Sunday School (Bonnie Garrity, Betsy Schumacher, and Gretchen Rentschler) who made four varieties of soup to pair with the sandwiches. Debbie Zurn and Margaret Cole did all the shopping, with Nina Seebeck as their runner in the few instances when we ran short of particular items. Pictured (left to right): Jeri Mullen, Sarah Schamel, TJ Mizner, Pastor Melinda Artman, Margaret Cole. Back Row: Nate Garriey, Jon Mizner, and Jordan Goodrich.

*Super Bowl - We voted with our dollars and the Eagles came out ahead 2 to 1! Thank you for your support of the*



## More on Catechumante

During Lent, our young people will undergo a period of training and instruction in Christian understandings about God, human relationships, and the meaning of life, ending in receiving the sacrament of baptism and/or reaffirming their baptismal vows in confirmation. Formation of a Christian is a duty of all Christians. Please hold our catechumenates in your prayers.

## Worship during Lent

During the penitential season of Lent, we will be using Rite 1 for our Holy Eucharist. On the First Sunday we will say the Great Litany, and every Sunday thereafter we will begin each service with the Decalogue. Lent is the perfect time to consider undergoing the Rite of Reconciliation of a Penitent. If this is something you would like to explore, please contact Pastor Melinda.

## *Community Food Bank.*

### *More Pancakes!*

Starting February 11 our Youth will be selling tickets for a pancake breakfast on Saturday, February 17, at Applebee's. All proceeds support their trip to the Lutheran Youth Gathering

### *Lenten Book Group Forming*

Join us Wednesday evenings at 5:30 at St. John Lutheran Church, beginning February 21 for a simple supper of soup, salad, bread, and water. We'll be reading and discussing The Last Week by Marcus J. Borg and John Dominic Crossan. The book explores what the Gospel really teaches about Jesus' final days in Jerusalem, focusing especially on the Gospel according to Mark. Amazon Prime offers the best price on the paperback version of the book for \$9.98. Please call our parish office and let us know if you plan on attending.

