

*Baptism of Our Lord
Sunday,
January 11, 2026*



Our vision:

*“Joy is a spiritual community sharing the
love of Christ in a challenging world.”*

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*Our mission is to share
the Good News of grace and love with
all through worship, service, and fellowship.*

Worship text is on the screen.
****Indicates Congregation Stands if able***

Items in Italics are only for the service indicated

Prelude— “Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized”-arr. Brian L. Hanson

***Confession and Forgiveness**

***Gathering Hymn—ELW 311-”Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”**

***Greeting**

***Hymn of Praise: “Glory to God” - ELW page 185**

***Prayer of the Day**

Children’s Lesson –(11:00)

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

(8:15) Psalm 29: “Give You Unto the Lord”

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Special Music:

(8:15)—“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”- arr. Sylvia Oines

(11:00)—“Washed Anew” - JOY Choir

***Gospel Acclamation: -”Alleluia”-ELW page 188**

***Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17**

Today’s Message is Given by: Pr. Art Wuertz

***Hymn of the Day: “Come to the Water”**

***Apostles’ Creed**

***The Prayers of the People**

***Passing of the Peace**

Offertory: "As With Gladness, Men of Old" com. Conrad Korcher

***Congregational Offertory: ELW # 302-verse 4**

"As With Gladness, Men of Old"

***Offertory Prayer**

***The Great Thanksgiving**

***"It is indeed right....."**

***Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy"- ELW page 190**

***Eucharistic Prayer**

***Words of Institution**

***The Lord's Prayer**

***Invitation to Communion**

***Lamb of God: "Lamb of God"-ELW page 191**

(11:00)-Communion Meditation: "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

Distribution Hymns:

ELW # 396—"Spirit of Gentleness"

CCLI # 7024758—"My Worth is Not in What I Own"

***Communion Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion**

***Blessing**

***Sending Hymn: CCLI # 4556538-"Everlasting God"**

***Sending**

***Postlude: "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"—arr. Joseph Herl**

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Dale Anders & family*-Health issues

Patty Braswell*-Illness

John Caputo*-Heart Issue

John Cobb-Health

Robert Cretul* – Cancer

Carol Daruna*-Cancer Diagnosis

Virginia Dockus' Granddaughter*-
Bleeding in Brain

Aud Enslow*-Healing

Violet Frey-Health Issues

Elaine Grass*-Recovery from
Stroke

Grace Hansen-Health Concerns

Trudie Herzog*-Illness

Susan Holmes-Health

Bruce Hopkins & Family*-LOMS

Billy Hubbard*-Stage 4 Cancer

Bob Irish – Health

Jake's Grandfather Bob-Concerns

Barbara Johnson - Stroke

Nancy Kraft-Healing

Ed Mathena-Surgical Recovery

Steven Mendez*-Recovery

Doris & Raymond Ness*-Health Issues

Abby Owen*-Cancer

Deb Pequignot*-Brain Tumor

Pam Rodriguez*-Cancer

Dolly Schember-Health

Katie Schoenfelder-Health

Brian Shull*-Special Circumstances

Nancy Spitzack*-Family Issues

Kristen Spivey*-Preparing to be a
kidney donor

Lee & Edie Stewart – Health

Helen Vance*-Cancer

Ken Warner*- Lung Cancer

Mary Wilson*-Illness

Mariann Wuertz*-Recovery

John Wuertz*-Recovery

Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Living

Cynthia Randall-Memory Care

Patricia Randall-Sales-Memory
Care

JOY NEEDS ANGELS! ALTAR ANGELS THAT IS

Our altar angels make sure that everything for our worship services are in place. Volunteers are needed. Are you interested in discovering how much time and training is involved in being an angel? Please contact Vicki Valli at 352-207-8381. She can answer all of your questions and help you get your "wings." Thank you.



DATELINE

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DATELINE LEGEND: SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;
OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

| DATE | TIME | EVENT | LOC |
|--------------|--------------|---|------|
| Mon. 1/12 | 9:30 AM | Stephen Ministry | SH |
| Tue. 1/13 | 10:00 AM | Property Ministry | SH |
| | 11:00 AM | Beginners' Bible Study | SH |
| | 1:00 PM | Finance Ministry | SH |
| Wed. 1/14 | 9:00 AM | Happy Hands Ministry | SH |
| | 9:30 AM | Joyful Hands Ministry | SH |
| | 3:00-4:30 PM | JOY Choir Rehearsal | S |
| | 5:30 PM | Worship Service | S |
| Thu. 1/15 | 3:00 PM | Council Executive Board | SH |
| | 6:30 PM | BCR Rehearsal | S |
| Fri 1/16 | 10:00 AM | JOY Handbell Choir Rehearsal | S |
| Sat. 1/17 | 2:00-4:00 PM | Cleaning Service | S/SH |
| Sun. 1/18 | 8:15 AM | Worship Service | S |
| | 11:00 AM | Worship Service | S |
| ALTAR ANGELS | 8:15/11:00 | Peggy Dietz, Susanne Beech/Judy Fields, Vicki Valli | S |
| Fellowship | 8:15/11:00 | Ethel Kleiner/Tasty Treats | N |
| Ushering | 8:15/11:00 | Groth/Spellman | S |

| ATTENDANCE | | | |
|------------|------------|----------|----|
| WEDNESDAY | 12/31/2025 | 5:30 PM | 20 |
| SUNDAY | 1/4/2026 | 8:15 AM | 48 |
| | 1/4/2026 | 11:00 AM | 80 |

JOY 2–5 Year Plan Informational Meetings

You are invited to attend one of three, identical work sessions to review the current status of JOY's 2–5 Year Campus Plan.

Meeting Options

- **Friday, January 16** – 10:30 am, Swenson Hall
- **Saturday, January 17** – 10:30 am, Swenson Hall

Sunday, January 18 – 9:30 am, Sanctuary

Each session will focus on the details of the proposed improvements to **Swenson Hall**, with an introductory video offering an early look at ideas for a future **Narthex expansion**.



WISH LIST UPDATE

Thank you! Thank you!

Here is a brief status report on the recently purchased items.
We are grateful for you! What a great way to start the New Year!

- SONG BOOKS PREPARED AND READY FOR USE - DECEMBER 2025
- OVERHEAD SANCTUARY MICROPHONES BEING INSTALLED JANUARY 26-27
- ADDITIONAL HAND-HELD MICROPHONE AND RECEIVER BEING INSTALLED JANUARY 26-27
- BRONZE JOY DEDICATION PLAQUE – ORDERED AND DELIVERY EXPECTED MARCH 15.



ALTAR FLOWERS:

The new sign-up sheet is posted for the first quarter of 2026. Considering to sign up for flowers? They do not have to be pre-arranged bouquets from a florist. You may bring your own from your garden, or ones you picked up at your local store. Please sign up if you would like to participate. Be sure to indicate if the flowers are in memory of or in honor of someone. If there is no designation, it will be listed in the bulletin as to the glory of God. Thank you.



**SPIRITUAL GIFTS
DISCOVERY**

What are your spiritual gifts? How can you use them?

Join us for an exciting Spiritual Gifts Discovery and learn how God has uniquely endowed you. Whether you're new to faith or looking to grow deeper, this class will help you identify your gifts and find your place in the body of Christ.

**Two Saturday sessions. Both sessions required.
Cost: \$10 for materials.**

January classes sold out!

Check the Bulletin Board in the Narthex to register your interest in future classes!

Joy!formation – New Member Orientation

Are you interested in learning more about becoming a member of Joy?

Our Joy!formation classes offer a welcoming space for information, conversation, and connection. These two sessions are a chance for us to get to know one another, answer your questions, and share the wonderful ways God is at work in our congregation.

Class Dates

***Tuesdays, January 27 & February 3
7:00–8:30 pm • Swenson Hall***

(Swenson Hall is located at the far end of the parking lot. A map is available at www.joylcoala.org.)

New members will be received on Sunday, February 8, 2026, at the service of your choice (Sun. 8:15am or 11:00 am, or Wed. 5:30 pm).

We look forward to welcoming you into the Joy family.

| THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS | | |
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| | 8:15 AM | 11:00 AM |
| Assistant Minister | Jim Hessel | Patty Willoughby |
| Reader | Deacon Darlene Haines | Paul Hyatt |
| Cross Bearer | Diane Julian | Ken Charles |
| Communion Assistant | Donna Schmidt | Vicki Vali |
| Ushering Team | HEINZEN | OWEN |
| Food & Fellowship | Sally Hurley | 3 Cooks & 3 Stooges |
| Altar Angels | Peggy Dietz, Susanne Beech | Judy Fields, Vicki Valli |
| Counters | Judy Spillane, Joe Spillane | |

| OUR STAFF | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Administrative Assistant | Zsuzsanna Jobbagy |
| Director of Music | Silas Daniel |
| Choir Director | Linda Aker |
| Handbell Choir Director | Melissa Daniel |
| Treasurer | Terry Owen |
| Sexton | Carson Faris |

OFFICE HOURS:-

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY

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|  | <p align="center"><u>FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS</u></p> <p>Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT. It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on <u>HYMNS</u> You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.</p> |
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Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly' and also connects with Bluetooth devices."



Scan the QR code for On-Line Giving Opportunities