

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Schwer

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Our mission is to know, love, and follow Jesus that His Kingdom will be advanced.

Prelude Nola Wagner

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 89:1-8

Hymn: How Firm a Foundation #262

Confession of Sins Kyrie p. 2-3

Declaration of Grace

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-5

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. **2** And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. **3** And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, **4** but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. **5** Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

New Testament Lesson: Galatians 4:1-7

I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, **2** but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. **3** In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. **4** But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, **5** to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. **6** And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" **7** So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:22-32

And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord **23** (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") **24** and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." **25** Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. **26** And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. **27** And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, **28** he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, **29** "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; **30** for my eyes have seen your salvation **31** that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, **32** a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

Pastor: Here ends the reading of God's Word.

Congregation sings: God be prais - ed for His glad tid - ings.

Confession of Faith: Apostle's Creed Gloria Patri p. 4

Children's Message

Hymn: Nearer, My God, to Thee #602

Message Title: Maranatha

Message Text: 1 Corinthians 16:13/Revelation 22:10-20

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Hymn: Because He Lives #545

Go in peace and serve the Lord
Thanks be to God!

This Week's Prayer Guide

Those in need of Healing: Bill & Hildegard Adsit, Mike Adsit, Pamela Breymeyer, Alan Carley, Tim Evans, Juanita Geiken, Phyllis Gibson, Norm Hansen, Pastor Steve Jensen, Ron Knapp, Matt Kreeb, Viola Lucht, Michele Luecke, Diane Nehls, Elaine Reiners, Eunice Reiners, Michael Schaumburg, Tim Schaumburg, Ty Schaumburg, Diane Van Hovel, Delbert Weaver

Cradle Roll: Braxton Grabow, Elle Heeren, Alana Jensen, Kennedy Pickett, Jameson Rogers, Charlotte and JoyAnna Steiner, Vivian Swalls, Riley Summer, and Austin Wilson

Church Council: Keith Roth, Quentin Schaumburg, Darrin Kregel, Steve Lehmann and Lynn Reiners

Pray for our Nation Pray for our Government

Pray for World leaders and those in authority.

Pray for our US Military and their families

Pray for teachers (and everyone else in the education system) parents and especially the students

What is Happening This Week at Schwer

Today	FLY Via Zoom at 6:30 pm
Monday	Pastor's Day off
Tuesday	Men's Bible Study 6:30 am
Thursday	New Year's Eve
Friday	New Year's Day Worship at 9:30 am \$ Samaritan's Purse
Sunday	Worship w/ communion 10 am \$ General Fund FLY Via Zoom at 6:30 pm

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*My soul is content because one day
I will walk the streets of Heaven
where no more dying, sorrow, or tears
will there ever be,
no more troubled times will I ever see,
And I will rejoice with the Angels
for all eternity.*
