Welcome! *The Preaching of Repentance Prepares Us for the Coming of the Lord.* The preaching and Baptism “of repentance for the forgiveness of sins” (Luke 3:3) prepare us for the coming of the Lord, Jesus Christ. The historic work of John the Baptist was completed with the first advent of our Lord Jesus in the flesh, but the ministry of the forerunner continues in the preaching of Law and Gospel and in Holy Baptism. Through His messengers, the Lord calls people of all nations to “see the salvation of God” (Luke 3:6). Our haughtiness is removed and our mountains of pride are brought low, but the Lord humbles us in order to exalt us in His mercy. As the Lord has begun this good work of repentance in us, so also does He perfect it by His Word and Holy Spirit, and He “will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ” (Phil. 1:6). He purifies us to be His priestly people, precious in His sight and abounding in faith and love, so that we offer our very lives in righteousness to the Lord (Mal. 3:3–4).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

**In Our Prayers:**

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Adelia Becker  
Cindy Becker - recovering  
Brian Becvar (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner)  
Delvin Boriack - recovering  
Pat Hughes - recovering (friend of James and Kathy Kalbas)  
William Johnson (father of Heather Perry)  
Gracelyn Kalbas - recovering  
Hildegard Krause - recovering  
Mary Loewe (mother of Christi Bradford)  
Ruth Lorenz  
Chris Miertschin  
Shannon Miertschin - recovering  
Leonard Mitschke - recovering  
Kathy Mumm - recovering  
Glenda Paskett - recovering (mother of Lyndy Krause and Melodi Oltmann)  
Calvin Robertson  
Katie Schmidt - recovering (mother of Pastor Schmidt)  
Greg Sorrento - recovering (nephew of Doris Fritzsche)  
Kynlee Stewart - recovering  
Josie Symm - recovering (sister-in-law of Mike & Barbara Symm)  
Cindy Umphries - recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)  
Sean Weiser - recovering (grandson of Ken & Ruby Weiser)  
Conway Whited - surgery (nephew of Ashley Schmidt)

Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Irwin, CA  
Kosh Osmon (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Ft. Hood, TX  
Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Camp Hovey, South Korea

Those who mourn:

Annie Beasley (niece of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)  
Joyce Bise  
Don Claxton - father of Jeff Claxton  
Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)  
Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)  
Mandie Fritzsche (granddaughter-in-law of Doris Fritzsche)  
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)  
Ross Hughes - recovering (friend of James and Kathy Kalbas)  
Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)  
Rev. Fred Krebs (friend of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)  
Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)  
Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)  
Kathy Lohberg (niece of Adelia Becker)  
Louis Muniz, Jr. (brother of Robert Muniz)  
Carie Oltmann  
Pat Richardson (friend of Darlene Schatte)  
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)  
Karen Schmidt  
Jim Sladek (friend of Johnathan Noack)  
Barbara Symm  
Judy Wesbrook (mother of Heather Krause)  
Tiffany Wittman (sister-in-law of Jason & Cindy Heuermann)

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our Sunday morning prayers either call the church office through the week or write out the request and give it to pastor on Sunday morning.
The Order of Service—184 of the hymnal
The Hymns: 349, 344, 331, 816, 359, 921
Sermon Text: Malachi 3:1-7b
The Sermon: “The Day is Coming”
Adult Choir Anthem: "Faith of Our Fathers"

大型多人敬拜诗歌被设置在荣耀上帝的神光辉下，以纪念石教堂150周年。

The Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God for His years of blessings on the 150th anniversary of the Stone Church by Jack & Marian Wiederhold.

Altar stand flowers are placed to the glory of God in memory of Martha Lorenz’s birthday by Kenneth Lorenz & family.

Congratulations to Troy and Chelsea Wiederhold on the birth of a son, Travis William Wiederhold. He was born November 24th in Austin, TX. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 ounces and was 20 inches long. May God bless this growing family.

Mission Goal. In the Voters Meeting held on December 13, 2020, the Voters set our 2021 Mission goal at $37,500.00. To date our Mission contributions are at $35,553.48. We are $1,446.52 away from meeting our 2021 goal.

Trustees will meet this Monday, December 6th at 7:00 p.m. Packets are available to be picked up in the church office to review prior to the meeting.

Church Council – This Thursday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. the Church Council will meet to set the agenda for the December 12th Voter’s meeting. All congregational officers and board members are part of the Church Council.

Scrip Program. Getting ready to do your holiday shopping, or giving gift cards as gifts? You can do it all with a Scrip Card. Order them through the Church’s Scrip Program. Orders can be placed through the Church Office or you can go online and order your cards. Order forms are available on the table at the back of the church.

Ebenezer Lutheran Church of Manheim, will be having a German Hymn Song Service - December 15th @ 7 pm. Please join us for this celebration of Christ's birth in German.

LWML. The LWML is again selling Christmas Cards. They are $4/box. Contact Doris Fritsche at 979-212-1886.

Poinsettias: The LWML will be selling Poinsettias for $10.00 each to be used to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. To order please fill out the order form in the bulletin this morning, and return it to the Church Office or put it in the collection plate. Orders are due by Thursday, December 16th. Please note that due to availability no orders will be accepted after December 16th. If you need further information, please contact Dorothy Schautschick at 716-0094.

The LAF will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 12th to set up and decorate the trees.

Wreaths Across America. Thank you to everyone who purchased wreaths this year. We met our goal, so every veteran grave will receive a wreath. The Wreath Laying Ceremony will take place on Saturday, December 18th at 9:00 a.m., at the cemetery.

Voyager View. The Voyager View Newsletter is available in the church office.

Aluminum Cans: Need somewhere to take your aluminum cans? There is a drop-off trailer by the pasture gate for anyone who would like to drop off their aluminum cans to be recycled. All money raised from the recycled cans will go to the Building Fund. We sold the cans this past week and raised another $80.00 for the Building Fund. Total given to the Restoration/Building fund is $3,466.10.

2022 Offering Envelopes. The 2022 adult and children offering envelopes are available to be picked up in the church office meeting room. Please continue to use the 2021 envelopes until the end of the year and then discard, since offering envelope numbers often change from year to year. If you wish to give an offering to the 2020 church year, please give this before the New Year’s Day service. If you failed to receive your 2022 envelopes or have any questions, please contact the church office.

A Bark & Shop event is being planned for Sunday, December 19th, from 10pm-4pm at Holy Cross, Warda Picnic grounds. This event is to help raise funds for Brisyn Dixon and his service dog as Brisyn battles autism spectrum disorder. For information contact Bianka Vanicek 979-505-0354, Lisa Brugger 979-966-8403 or Tiffany Noack 979-540-7117. Brisyn is the nephew of Mike and Tara Pietsch.
THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today       Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.
            Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Monday      Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
            Trustee’s Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday     Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
            Girls Basketball @ St. Paul Brenham – 4:00 p.m.
            JV Boys Basketball @ St. Paul Brenham – 5:00 p.m.
            Board of Christian Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday   Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m.
            School Chapel – 8:30 a.m.
            Youth Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.
            Advent Worship Service – 7:00 p.m.
            Acolytes: Ayla Droegemueller and Trey Fritsche
            Adult Choir – 7:45 p.m.
Thursday    Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
            JV Boys Basketball @ Immanuel, Giddings – 3:00 p.m.
            Girls Basketball @ Immanuel Giddings – 4:00 p.m.
            V Boys Basketball @ Immanuel Giddings – 5:00 p.m.
            Church Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Friday      Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
            ECC Christmas Program – 6:00 p.m.
Next Sunday English Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.
            Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
            Acolytes: Kaden Kasper and Brandon Burgdorf
            LAF Set up Christmas Trees – 1:00 p.m.
            4-H Caroling – 2:00 p.m.
            Voter’s Meeting – 7:00 p.m.


ST. PAUL NOTES:
Attendance Last Week: Thanksgiving- 182, Morning Worship- 222, Bible Class- 15; Sunday School- 29, Offering- $18.50.

Offering Last Week: $27,416.90
Home:
General                $16,510.65
Thanksgiving           $7,091.75
Sunday School          $18.50
ECC Operating          $1,654.00
Received 11/28/2021    $25,274.90

Mission:
Mission               $1,987.00
Lutheran Hour         $75.00
Mission Total         $2,062.00
Savings/Other:
Building Fund         $80.00
Savings/Other Total   $80.00

Est. needed per week  $22,500.00
Received MTD          $107,409.51
Est. needed per month $97,500.00

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, December 12th, “When You're Expecting”. Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The season of Advent is about living in the middle of a story that is still unfolding, between what is already and what is yet to come. (Luke 1:20-89) Hear The Lutheran Hour each Sunday on station KBUK-FM 104.9 at 7:00 a.m. or on station KANJ-FM 91.5 at 12:30 p.m. or go to lhm.org for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

Serving today: Elders– Mark Jones and Steven Schautschick
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Gabriel Bailey and Brooke Lehmann
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Troy Menzel  Assistant- Mark Jones
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Glen Albrecht
Pablo Rodriguez, Tommy Miertschin

Life Through the Church Year:
December 5 – Advent II
God’s deeds give every member of our race a right to life (Psalm 66:5, 9). He creates us in our mother’s womb. He redeems us even as embryos. He calls us all into His everlasting family. Our life is a masterpiece He Himself commences and completes (Philippians 1:6). No sizes, skills, or circumstances on our part can impair or improve the value He has invested in us and our neighbors.

2021 Advent/Christmas Schedule

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“Faith at Christmas” Program
FLHS students will present a Christmas concert, “Faith at Christmas,” on Tuesday, December 7th at 7:00 pm at FLHS. Program will include a collection of choir pieces, handbell pieces, hymns, scripture readings and more. Refreshments will be served following the program. Please join us!!!
*This event will also be live streamed on Facebook, for those who would prefer to view the sounds of Christmas from home.

End of Year Giving
In Proverbs 2:6, God’s Word promises: "The LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding." Faith Lutheran High School exists to instill Christ’s wisdom in His Word to prepare faithful leaders for tomorrow. Thank you for being a part of this mission through your prayers and financial support. Please prayerfully consider how you can give to further Lutheran education in our area. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889.

Raffle Items
The Spring Raffle is just around the corner. The Board of Directors is currently looking for valuable items or monetary donations to be used in the raffle. Please contact Nikki Kueck if you have something to donate! Thank you!

Thank you!
Everyone at FLHS is blessed by each gift that we receive from our supporters. It's not about the size of the gift, but the cheerful attitude that gives thanks to God (2 Corinthians 9:7). Whether your gift seems big or small, it is greatly appreciated and makes a bigger impact than you know!

Shadow Days
Shadow days are a great opportunity for prospective students to follow us for a day and experience what FLHS is all about. Parents, call us today at (979) 242-2889 to set up a shadow day for your child.